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STATISTICS OF AGRICULTURE

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

WHEAT:

The four major wheat exporting countries estimate that on or about February 1, 1957, they held 2,192.7 million bushels of wheat for export and carryover, about 4 per cent less than the 2,282.7 million available a year ago. Supplies by countries, including on-farm stocks, in millions of bushels (with last year's figures in brackets) were: United States, 1,140.8 (1,226.2); Canada, 773.2 (733.3); Argentina, 156.5 (120.0); and Australia, 122.2 (203.2).

Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat from these countries for the period August, 1956 to January, 1957, inclusive were 515.2 million bushels, 50.7 per cent above the 341.9 million bushels exported in the same period for 1955-56. United States exports increased from 119.5 to 251.3; Canada exported 145.1 compared with 116.4 a year ago; Argentina's exports dropped from 63.5 to 44.3; and Australia's increased from 42.5 to 74.5 million bushels.

LIVE STOCK:

Canadian exports of live stock to the United States from January 1 to March 16 (1956 figures in brackets) were: slaughter cattle, nil (128); feeder cattle, 18 (nil); dairy cattle, 5,677 (8,753).

Dressed meat exports to all countries to March 16 were: beef, 2,481,000 lb., an increase of 13 per cent; pork, 7,952,000 lb., a 42 per cent decrease; mutton, 22,084 lb., an increase over 1956 of 98 per cent.

Imports of live stock from the United States to March 16 (1956 figures in brackets) were: cattle, 4,290 (4,727); calves, 180 (118); and sheep, 3,316 (281).

DAIRYING:

In the month of February, 1957, butterfat receipts at Alberta creameries totalled 1,230,000 lb. compared with 1,251,000 lb. for February, 1956, a decrease of 1.6 per cent.

FARM DELIVERIES AND INCOME FROM GRAIN IN ALBERTA

BASED ON COUNTRY ELEVATOR RECEIPTS AND PRIVATE ELEVATOR AND PLATFORM LOADINGS

	WHEAT		OATS		BARLEY		RYE		FLAX SEED	
	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957
Deliveries and Loadings:					- thousands of bushels -					
Month of February	7,582	10,292	471	1,154	2,444	2,647	354	62	67	503
January - February	14,339	17,122	868	2,129	5,188	5,327	578	97	195	844
Estimated Returns per Bushel for Grain Delivered in February:					- dollars per bushel -					
	1.09	1.09	0.49	0.51	0.71	0.74	0.90	0.92	3.66	2.72
Estimated Total Cash Returns:					- thousands of dollars -					
Month of February	8,264	11,218	231	588	1,735	1,959	319	57	275	1,372
January - February	15,630	18,663	425	1,085	3,684	3,942	509	94	723	2,337
Canadian Wheat Board Adjustment Payments:										
Month of February	6,346	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
January - February	6,346	9,044	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts from Grain:										
Month of February	14,610	11,218	231	588	1,735	1,959	319	57	275	1,372
January - February	21,976	27,707	425	1,085	3,684	3,942	509	94	723	2,337

Total Income from Grain including Wheat Board Adjustment Payments:	1956	1957
Month of February	17,170,000	15,194,000
January - February	27,317,000	35,165,000

On November 9, Hon. C. D. Howe announced average final payments of 11 and 13 cents a bushel on oats and barley respectively delivered to the Canadian Wheat Board in the 1955-1956 pool year.

COMPANIES - ALBERTA

DOMESTIC - INCORPORATED

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DOMESTIC COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN ALBERTA DURING THE MONTH OF J A N U A R Y, 1957

Date	Reference	Name	Address	Authorized Capital $	Type of Enterprise
Jan. 4	20668	R. T. Hendel Transport Ltd.	* 516 McLeod Building, Edmonton	20,000	Truckers
" 2	20669	C. E. Adam Jeweller Ltd.	625 - 2nd Street S. Medicine Hat	20,000	Jewellers
" 2	20670	Bow Plumbing Ltd.	626 Main Street, Bowness	20,000	Plumbing and Heating
" 2	20671	Shamrock Bottling Limited	* #2 Shamrock Apartments, Medicine Hat	20,000	Non-Alcoholic Beverages
" 2	20672	Chitteck Plumbing Company Ltd.	2312 - 1 Avenue N.W. Calgary	20,000	Plumbing and Heating
" 2	20673	Ritzen Hardware & Lumber Ltd.	* c/o F.A. Moon & Company, Claresholm	20,000	Hardware
" 2	20674	Nick Zeller Construction Ltd.	Central Block, Medicine Hat	20,000	General Contractors
" 2	20687	Bow Memorial Co. Ltd.	* c/o Finnerty, Finnerty & Co. Calgary	20,000	General Contractors
" 2	20688	Hi Way Service (Taber) Ltd.	Taber, Alta.	20,000	Garage
" 2	20689	Richmond Transport Co. Ltd.	Grande Prairie, Alta.	20,000	Truckers
" 3	20690	Loon River Exploration Limited	* 709 Lancaster Building, Calgary	20,000	Petroleum Exploration
" 2	20693	Rich & Jackson Real Estate Ltd.	826 - 16 Avenue N.W. Calgary	20,000	Real Estate
" 2	20694	Rich & Jackson Holdings Ltd.	826 - 16 Avenue N.W. Calgary	20,000	Holding Company
" 4	20697	Addison's Bungalow Camp Ltd.	* 504 Insurance Exchange Bldg. Calgary	20,000	Auto Court
" 10	20698	Many Islands Pipe Lines Limited	* 913 Lancaster Building, Calgary	5,000,000	Pipe Line Company
" 9	20699	Holiday Cleaners Ltd.	* 55 Hollingsworth Building, Calgary	20,000	Cleaners and Dyers
" 9	20700	H.D.C. Construction Co. Ltd.	9525 - 63rd Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	General Contractors
" 9	20701	Kathy's Ladies Wear Ltd.	* 309 Northgate Building, Edmonton	20,000	Clothing
" 8	20702	Andrew Ewing Construction Ltd.	* 10349 - 97 Street, Edmonton	20,000	General Contractors
" 8	20703	Donnelly Garage Ltd.	Donnelly, Alta.	20,000	Garage
" 8	20704	Ray Parks Construction Ltd.	* 10349 - 97 Street, Edmonton	20,000	General Contractors
" 8	20705	Edwards Marketing Ltd.	* 118 Scott Block, Red Deer	15,000	Lumber
" 7	20706	Roper's Limited	Rimbey, Alta.	20,000	Agricultural Machinery
" 7	20707	Allied Office Supply Co. Ltd.	* #1 National Trust Building, Edmonton	20,000	Office Supplies
" 7	20708	Strong Lamb & Nelson Ltd.	* 900 Lancaster Building, Calgary	45,000	Engineers
" 4	20709	Office Control Systems (Edmonton) Ltd.	* #5 MacLean Block, Edmonton	20,000	Office Equipment
" 3	20710	Pratt 5¢ to $1 Stores Ltd.	* 802 McLeod Building, Edmonton	20,000	General Merchants
" 3	20711	Miller Construction Co. Ltd.	* Westlock Hotel, Westlock	20,000	General Contractors
" 14	20712	Superior Trailer Corporation Ltd.	* 62 Hollingsworth Building, Calgary	20,000	Trailer Company
" 14	20713	Britannia Shopping Centre Ltd.	* 62 Hollingsworth Building, Calgary	20,000	Shoppint Centre
" 10	20714	Pacific Pipe Line Construction (Alberta) Ltd.	* 408 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	20,000	General Contractors
" 4	20715	Bel-Plaza Motel (Banff) Ltd.	* 10349 - 97 Street, Edmonton	40,000	Auto Court
" 2	20716	Greenboughs Limited	* 24 Dominion Bank Chambers, Edmonton	20,000	Automotive
" 2	20717	Stancer Electric Ltd.	* 62 Hollingsworth Building, Calgary	20,000	Electricians
" 2	20718	Irving Engineering & Construction Co. Ltd.	* 900 Lancaster Building, Calgary	20,000	General Contractors

DOMESTIC COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN ALBERTA DURING THE MONTH OF J A N U A R Y, 1957

Date	Reference	Name		Address	Authorized Capital $	Type of Enterprise
Jan. 17	20719	Ponoka Construction Ltd.	*	10349 - 97 Street, Edmonton	20,000	General Contractors
" 15	20720	Sunnyside Custom Truck & Trailer Works Ltd.		10415 - 127 Street, Edmonton	50,000	Automotive
" 11	20721	North American Van Lines (Alberta) Ltd.	*	400 Leeson-Lineham Building, Calgary	50,000	Truckers
" 11	20722	Wood-Crafts (Calgary) Limited	*	739 - 35 Street N.W. Calgary	20,000	Furniture
" 11	20723	S.E. Construction (Alberta) Ltd.	*	408 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	20,000	General Contractors
" 14	20724	Diazo Blueprint & Engineering Supply Ltd.	*	320 Krozelle Building, Edmonton	20,000	Engineers' Supplies
" 14	20725	Russell Food Equipment (Calgary) Limited	*	1401 - 17 Avenue E. Calgary	100,000	Food Preservation Equip.
" 17	20726	Midelco Farms Ltd.	*	10349 - 97 Street, Edmonton	20,000	Farming and Ranching
" 17	20727	Three R. Ranches Ltd.	*	#2 Shaw Block, Nanton	20,000	Farming and Ranching
" 17	20728	High River Electric Ltd.	*	10349 - 97 Street, Edmonton	20,000	Electrical Appliances
" 17	20729	Pelletier Motels Ltd.	*	209 B.C. Trust Building, Lethbridge	20,000	Auto Court
" 15	20730	Woodland Trucking Co. Ltd.		12912 - 125 Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	Truckers
" 17	20731	Crosswalk Holdings Limited	*	500 Lancaster Building, Calgary	499,900	Holding Company
" 14	20732	United Electro Dynamics Ltd.	*	111 Commercial Chambers, Edmonton	20,000	Radio Station
" 11	20733	Hutchison Motors Ltd.		Wildwood, Alta.	20,000	Automotive
" 14	20734	Delaware Securities Ltd.	*	800 Lancaster Building, Calgary	20,000	Holding Company
" 15	20735	Green Pneumatic Pumps Limited	*	#2, 11328 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	Engineers
" 15	20736	Marsh Head Construction Ltd.		14404 - 86 Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	Road Builders
" 15	20737	Advertiser's Brokerage Company Ltd.	*	Ste. 201, 227 - 7 Avenue W. Calgary	20,000	Brokers
" 15	20738	Alberta-California Cargo Ltd.	*	328A - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	50,000	Truckers
" 16	20739	Eigeard Roadbuilding Ltd.	*	410 Empire Block, Edmonton	80,000	Road Builders
" 16	20740	R. Croteau Ltd.	*	501 Agency Building, Edmonton	20,000	Brokers
" 17	20741	Lenelda's Limited	*	505 Grain Exchange Building, Calgary	40,000	Clothing
" 17	20742	Cranberry Hill Haven Limited		Whitecourt, Alta.	20,000	Garage
" 17	20743	Charles F. Steele Jeweller Ltd.	*	328A - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	19,000	Jewellers
" 18	20744	Monarch Investment Agencies (Edmonton) Ld.		10187 - 99 Street, Edmonton	20,000	Investment Company
" 22	20745	A. C. Francis Farm Equipment Ltd.	*	Rm. 107, 10856 - 102 Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	Agricultural Equipment
" 22	20746	Wainwright Hi Way Services Ltd.		Wainwright, Alta.	20,000	Garage
" 22	20747	Anderson's Automatic Welding Ltd.		107 - 10856 - 82 Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	Welding
" 18	20748	Shekat Holding Ltd.	*	305 Foothills Building, Calgary	20,000	Holding Company
" 18	20749	R. S. Benetts Ltd.	*	709 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	10,000	Plumbing and Heating
" 9	20750	Leo Parcels Trucking Limited		Stettler, Alta.	20,000	Trucking
" 9	20751	Linden Machine Works Ltd.		Linden, Alta.	20,000	Agricultural Machinery
" 10	20752	Wainwright Dairy Ltd.		Wainwright, Alta.	20,000	Dairy Products

DOMESTIC COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN ALBERTA DURING THE MONTH OF J A N U A R Y, 1957

Date	Reference	Name		Address	Authorized Capital $	Type of Enterprise
Jan. 10	20753	Borchers Transport Ltd.		311 - 45 Avenue S.W. Calgary	20,000	Truckers
" 16	20754	Norman W. Byrne Limited	*	609 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	20,000	Engineers
" 16	20755	Pemota Arts Ltd.	*	123 Petroleum Building, Calgary	20,000	Art Dealer
" 18	20756	Sinclair Transportation Company Limited	*	301 - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	20,000	Transportation
" 18	20757	Ajax Processors Limited	*	716 McLeod Bldg. Edmonton	20,000	Oil & Gas Absorption Plant
" 18	20758	Williams Construction Co. Ltd.	*	200 Lancaster Building, C lgary	20,000	General Contractors
" 18	20759	Pearson Holdings Ltd.	*	112 Barry Building, Edmonton	20,000	Holding Company
" 21	20760	Rex Magill Supplies Limited	*	201 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	20,000	Manufacturers Agents
" 21	20761	Gilmour's Lockers Limited		Lacombe, Alta.	20,000	Cold Storage
" 21	20762	Acme Back-Off Services Ltd.	*	304 Bank of Commerce Building, Edmonton	10,000	Drilling Contractors
" 21	20763	The Parkersburg Rig and Reel Company Ltd.	*	201 Imperial Bank Building, E monton	20,000	Machine Company
" 21	20764	Watcher's Jewelry Ltd.		Grande Prairie, Alta.	20,000	Jewellers
" 21	20765	Aksel Rasmussen Lumber Ltd.	*	10319 - 82 Avenue, Emonton	20,000	Lumber
" 21	20766	D. L. Lawson Construction Ltd.	*	603 Herald Building, Calgary	20,000	General Contractors
" 22	20767	Chalrex Pipe Lines Ltd.	*	c/o Milner, Steer & Co. Calgary	20,000	Pipe Line company
" 23	20768	Dual-Craft Knitting Centre Ltd.	*	328A - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	20,000	Manufacturers Agents
" 22	20769	H. H. Larson Stores Ltd.		Standard, Alta.	20,000	General Merchants
" 25	20770	H. & K. Tools & Specialties Ltd.		Red Deer, Alta.	50,000	Manufacturers Agents
" 21	20771	Well Production Raters Ltd.	*	906 McLeod Building, Edmonton	100	Oilfield Servicing
" 14	20772	Paramount Management Ltd.	*	Ste. 2, 328A - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	20,000	Management Company
" 30	20773	Par-San Investments Ltd.	*	516 Macleod Building, Edmonton	20,000	Investment Company
" 30	20774	Webb's Clothing Ltd.	*	436 Lougheed Building, Calgary	30,000	Clothing
" 23	20775	Designers' Drafting & Delineating Services (Edmonton) Ltd.	*	201 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	20,000	Engineers
" 29	20776	Belley Plumbing & Heating Ltd.		St. Albert, Alta.	20,000	Plumbing and Heating
" 9	20777	Gaede's Transport Ltd.	*	414 Grain Exchange Building, Calgary	20,000	Truckers
" 10	20778	Meek Brothers Ltd.	*	511 Herald Building, Calgary	50,000	General Merchants
" 11	20779	Hannigan Enterprises (Wetaskiwin) Ltd.	*	Wetaskiwin, Alta.	20,000	Food Products
" 11	20780	Hannigan Enterprises (Red Deer) Ltd.	*	209 Agency Building, Edmonton	20,000	Food Products
" 16	20781	Western Timber Export Ltd.	*	830 Tegler Building, Edmonton	100,000	Lumber
" 18	20782	The Burdett Northern Mutual Telephone Company Limited		Burdett, Alta.	900	Telephone
" 18	20783	The Nortel Mutual Telephone Company Limited		Innisfree, Alta.	500	Telephone
" 21	20784	Kirby-Knit-Kraft Ltd.	*	Ste. 2, 328A - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	50,000	Dry Goods
" 22	20785	Lone Star Alignment & Service Co.Ltd.	*	822 Tegler Building, Edmonton	20,000	Garage

DOMESTIC COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN ALBERTA DURING THE MONTH OF J A N U A R Y, 1957

Date	Reference	Name	Address	Authorized Capital $	Type of Enterprise
Jan. 22	20786	MacKay Sand & Gravel Company Ltd.	Lloydminster, Alta.	50,000	Sand and Gravel
" 23	20787	Edmonton Crematorium Ltd.	* 822 Tegler Building, Edmonton	20,000	Crematorium
" 23	20788	Three Hills Motors Limited	* 900 Lancaster Building, Calgary	20,000	Automotive
" 23	20789	Barrel Taxi Ltd.	* 14920 Stony Plain Road, Edmonton	20,000	Transportation
" 24	20790	Samson Service & Trucking Ltd.	* 410 Empire Block, Edmonton	100,000	Automotive
" 24	20791	J. A. Builders Ltd.	* 201 Grain Exchange Building, Calgary	20,000	General Contractors
" 24	20792	James Theatres Ltd.	Valleyview, Alta.	20,000	Theatre
" 25	20793	Karl Walters Ltd.	* 10439 - 82 Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	Grain dealer
" 25	20794	Jaycopters Ltd.	* 512 Alexander Building, Edmonton	20,000	Air Craft
" 25	20795	Quality Distributors & Services (Alberta) Ltd.	* 204 Baltzan Building, Edmonton	20,000	Manufacturers Agents
" 25	20796	Hinton Truck Lines Ltd.	Hinton, Alta.	50,000	Truckers
" 28	20797	Lindahl's Supermarket Ltd.	* c/o Weeks, Patterson & Co. Edmonton	100,000	General Merchants
" 28	20798	Saxum Mill Co., Ltd.	* 511 Herald Building, Calgary	50,000	Development Company
" 28	20799	Tower Trucking Ltd.	* 102 Magee Building, Edmonton	20,000	Trucking
" 29	20801	Athona Construction Co., Ltd.	* 102 Mercantile Building, Edmonton	20,000	General Contractors
" 29	20802	Barker Electric Ltd.	* 913 Lancaster Building, Calgary	20,000	Electricians
" 29	20803	Dale Drug Limited	* 408 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	20,000	Drugs
" 30	20804	Alberta Locker Service Ltd.	* Ste. @, 328A - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	20,000	Cold Storage
" 31	20805	Beru Machine Works & Metal Castings Ltd.	2206 - 18 Street, Bowness, Alta.	20,000	Machine Company
" 15	20808	Rotary Service Station Ltd.	* 211 Blow Building, Calgary	20,000	Garage
" 29	20809	Redwood Construction Ltd.	* 4944 Ross Street, Red Deer	20,000	General Contractors
" 29	20810	Courtney Development Ltd.	* 900 Lancaster Building, Calgary	20,000	Development Company
" 29	20811	Wm. Troock Furniture Ltd.	* 102 Mercantile Building, Edmonton	20,000	Furniture
" 30	20812	Lone Pine Supper Lounge Ltd.	* 201 Lancaster Building, Calgary	220,000	Restaurant
" 30	20813	E. W. Davis Agency Ltd.	* 112 Barry Building, Edmonton	20,000	Management Company
" 30	20814	Aurora Auto Court Ltd.	15145 - 111 Avenue, Edmonton	20,000	Auto Court
" 30	20815	Russbee Carriers Ltd.	* 317 Christie Grant Building, Edmonton	20,000	Truckers
" 30	20816	Shundah Company (Edmonton) Ltd.	* 11407 - 86 Street, Edmonton	20,000	Collection Agency
" 30	20817	Reierson Insurance Services Ltd.	* 207 Christie Grant Building, Edmonton	20,000	Insurance
" 30	20818	Morning Star Service Ltd.	* 204 Qu'Appelle Building, Edmonton	20,000	Garage
" 31	20819	Winfield Transport Ltd.	Winfield, Alta.	20,000	Truckers
" 31	20820	Gerhard Bartel Building Contractor Ltd.	* 709 Lancaster Building, Calgary	20,000	General Contractors
" 31	20821	Stanley Investments (Calgary) Ltd.	* 534 - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	20,000	Investment Company
" 31	20822	United Core Limited	* 301 - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	20,000	Engineers

FOREIGN COMPANIES REGISTERED IN ALBERTA DURING THE MONTH OF J A N U A R Y, 1957

Date	Reference	Name		Address	Authorized Capital $	Type of Enterprise
Jan. 3	4911	Henuset Bros. Ltd.	*	10048 - 101A Avenue, E monton	40,000	General Contractors
" 4	4913	Railway Express Agency Incorporated	*	c/o J. C. Robertson, Schattner Blk. Edmonton	-	Air Transport
" 11	4914	Carpenter Bros. Oil Company Limited	*	320 Krozelle Building, Edmonton	20,000	Oil Company
" 15	4915	Don McCaughey Agencies Ltd.	*	900 Lancaster Building, Calgary	5,000	General Merchants
" 15	4916	French Petroleum Company of Canada Ltd.	*	600 Lancaster Building, Calgary	7	Oil Company
" 3	4917	Heintzman & Company Limited	*	201 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	40,000	Musical Instruments
" 5	4918	Dann Bros. Agencies Ltd.	*	10154 - 103 Street, Edmonton	3,000	Manufacturers Agents
" 11	4919	C. B. Powell & Company Limited		205 - 9 Avenue W. Calgary	5,000	Food Products
" 15	4920	Noranda Copper & Brass Limited	*	Rm. 102A, 12408 - 118 Ave. Edmonton	-	Manufacturers Agents
" 15	4921	Central Construction Company Limited	*	304 Bank of Commerce Building, Edmonton	20,000	Road Builders
" 16	4922	Canadian Critall Metal Window Limited	*	c/o Milner, Steer & Co. Edmonton	20,000	Building Materials
" 18	4923	Jefferson Lake Sulphur Company	*	516 McLeod Building, Edmonton	100,000	Production of Sulphur
" 23	4924	Intra Medical Products Limited	*	c/o 706 Imperial Bank Building, Edmonton	-	Drugs
" 28	4925	Mandan Oil Corporation	*	516 McLeod Building, Edmonton	-	Investment Company
" 29	4926	Exclusive Factory Sales & Srvice Ltd.	*	600 Lancaster Building, Calgary	4	Brokers
" 17	4931	John Dickinson & Co. (Canada) Limited	*	10330 - 104 St. Edmonton	125,000	Paper Company
" 23	4932	Texas Instruments Corporation	*	301 - 8 Avenue W. Calgary	5,000	Geophysical
" 28	4933	Douglas Oil Co. of California	*	516 McLeod Building, Edmonton	20,000	Oil Company
" 29	4934	Ranger Oil Company	*	202 Oil Exchange Building, Calgary	20,000	Petroleum Exploration
" 31	4935	The Pension Fund Society of the Toronto Dominion Bank	*	c/o A. E. Hall, Toronto Dominion Bank, Jasper Ave. & 100A Street, Edmonton	-	Pension Fund
		TOTAL COMPANIES REGISTERED - 20			$ 423,011	

DOMESTIC COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN ALBERTA DURING THE MONTH OF J A N U A R Y, 1957

Date	Reference	Name	Address	Authorized Capital $	Type of Enterprise
Jan. 31	20823	Petro Automation Industries Ltd.	* #5 Maclean Block, Edmonton	20,000	Engineers
" 21	20828	Careful Cartage, Storage & Transportation Ltd.	* 802 McLeod Building, Edmonton	20,000	Transportation
" 31	20847	Weca Wholesale Ltd.	* 731 Tegler Building, Edmonton	20,000	Wholesale Jewellers
" 31	20848	Park Furniture Ltd.	* 5318 - 45 Avenue, Wetaskiwin	20,000	Furniture
			TOTAL COMPANIES INCORPORATED 140 - - -	$ 9,100,400	

LIVE STOCK PRICES IN ALBERTA

FEBRUARY AND TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

	GOOD BUTCHER STEERS		GOOD FEEDER STEERS		GOOD BUTCHER LAMBS		B_1 HOGS dressed (without bonus)	
	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957
	- dollars per hundred pounds -							
Month of February:								
Calgary	16.31	16.93	14.50	15.85	17.78	18.49	19.85	29.18
Edmonton	15.88	16.69	13.28	15.67	18.36	19.82	20.19	29.70
Lethbridge	16.29	16.65	14.83	16.50	17.23	18.88	19.48	28.94
January - February:								
Calgary	16.58	17.11	14.38	15.89	17.56	18.36	19.13	27.71
Edmonton	15.92	16.95	13.18	15.55	17.88	19.62	19.60	28.40
Lethbridge	16.74	16.80	14.84	16.30	17.23	18.84	18.83	27.60

PRICE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN: BASIS EDMONTON PRICES

Hog - Barley Ratio*

1933-53	1956	Jan.1956	Jan.1957	Feb.1957
21.5	20.9	18.0	25.1	26.6

Live Stock Price Relationships*

	1933-53	1956	Jan.1956	Jan.1957	Feb.1957
Good Steers - B_1 Hogs	85.1	96.5	108.1	82.7	78.4
Good Lambs - B_1 Hogs	96.2	105.3	117.9	93.3	93.1
Good Steers - Good Lambs	93.4	92.8	91.7	88.6	84.2

* Number of bushels of No. 1 feed barley that are equal in value to 100 lb. of Grade B_1 live hogs at Edmonton prices, plus federal government quality premium.

* Prices of 100 lb. good steers (or lambs) expressed as a percentage of the price of 100 lb. B_1 live hogs (federal government premium included) or good lambs.

LIVE STOCK MARKETING IN ALBERTA

FEBRUARY, 1956, AND A TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956.

	CATTLE		CALVES		SHEEP AND LAMBS		HOGS	
	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957
				- Number of Head -				
Receipts of Public Stockyards & Packing Plants:								
Month of February	44,313	48,465	5,055	6,234	15,563	19,756	120,715	125,167
January - February	95,754	97,620	12,989	12,358	37,757	33,343	269,969	243,228
Shipments to Country Points from Yards & Plants:								
Month of February	4,176	5,629	275	971	378	150	-	-
January - February	9,858	11,443	1,028	1,650	1,079	336	-	-
Net Marketings at Public Stockyards and Packing Plants:								
Month of February	40,137	42,836	4,780	5,263	15,185	19,606	120,715	125,167
January - February	85,896	86,177	11,961	10,708	36,678	33,007	269,969	243,228
Slaughterings at Uninspected Establishments:								
Month of February	2,015	2,189	765	843	103	139	2,664	1,535
January - February	4,316	4,598	1,565	1,670	262	288	5,706	3,745
Total Net Live Stock Marketings:								
Month of February	42,152	45,025	5,545	6,106	15,288	19,745	123,379	126,702
January - February	90,212	90,775	13,526	12,378	36,940	33,295	257,675	246,973
				- dollars -				
Estimated Value of Live Stock Marketed:								
Month of February	5,307,000	5,957,000	263,000	337,000	252,000	369,000	3,764,000	5,892,000
January - February	11,079,000	12,064,000	634,000	702,000	601,000	624,000	8,211,000	11,063,000

Estimated Total Income from the Sale of Live Stock:

	1956	1957
Month of February	$ 9,586,000	$ 12,555,000
January - February	$ 20,525,000	$ 24,453,000

FARM SALES AND CASH INCOME FROM DAIRY PRODUCTS (JANUARY) AND POULTRY PRODUCTS (FEBRUARY AND JANUARY-FEBRUARY) FOR ALBERTA, 1956 and 1957

DAIRY PRODUCTS:	FARM SALES JANUARY 1956	FARM SALES JANUARY 1957	FARM CASH INCOME JANUARY 1956	FARM CASH INCOME JANUARY 1957
	- thousands of pounds -		- thousands of dollars -	
Butterfat for Creamery Butter	1,210	1,174	739	718
Dairy Butter	3.6	3.5	2	2
Milk for Cheese Making	1,243	1,023	30	25
Milk for Concentration, Ice Cream and for Fluid Cream Sales*	9,665	10,119	282	232
Milk for Fluid Sales	19,176	20,557	867	931
TOTAL VALUE			$ 1,920	1,908

* Ice cream and fluid cream converted to milk basis.

POULTRY PRODUCTS:*	FEBRUARY 1956	FEBRUARY 1957	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1956	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1957	FEBRUARY 1956	FEBRUARY 1957	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1956	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1957
	- dozen -				- dollars -			
Eggs Received at Registered Grading Stations	1,364,600	1,657,000	2,925,100	3,617,000	399,700	442,000	884,800	948,000
	- pounds -							
Poultry Marketed through Registered Stations	209,800	424,000	501,200	1,103,000	61,200	101,000	152,200	266,000
TOTAL VALUE EGGS AND POULTRY					$ 460,900	543,000	1,037,000	1,214,000

* Percent of Marketings Sold Through Registered Stations.

	1953	1954	1955
Eggs	56.1	47.3	44.5
Poultry	35.4	36.0	49.3

SUMMARY OF GENERAL STATISTICS

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FEBRUARY AND TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

			1956 (Jan. - Feb.)	1957 (Jan. - Feb.)	2 Months Inc. or (-) Dec.	1956 (February)	1957 (February)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec.
					%			%
Flour Mills (7 Firms)	- Gross Sales	$.	2,866,914	2,226,409	-22.3	1,461,654	1,097,101	-24.9
	Production	Centals.	937,591	879,686	- 6.2	460,746	459,127	- .4
		Value $.	4,226,482	4,024,462	- 4.8	2,068,713	2,146,412	3.8
Creamery Butter (1)	- Production	Lbs.	2,941,852	2,810,629	- 4.5	1,466,665	1,378,152	- 6.0
		Value $.	1,726,867	1,644,218	- 4.8	860,932	806,219	- 6.4
Factory Cheese (1)	- Production	Lbs.	232,093	186,171	-19.8	118,960	93,645	-21.3
		Value $.	76,127	66,091	-13.2	39,019	33,244	-14.8
Dairy Factories	- Gross Sales	$.	4,164,599	4,406,635	5.8	1,687,084	1,746,702	3.5
Packing Plants	- Gross Sales	$.	20,568,234	23,443,339	14.0	11,049,449	12,047,352	9.0
	Production-Meat-Lbs.		63,156,792	70,164,797	11.1	32,813,308	33,220,342	1.2
		Value $.	13,912,478	17,951,636	29.0	7,342,802	9,365,727	27.5
	- Exports	Meat-Lbs.	31,679,153	35,692,481	12.7	18,121,463	17,354,123	- 4.2
		Value $.	6,990,823	9,153,961	30.9	4,055,583	4,892,127	20.6
Margarine Sales		Lbs.	1,465,697	1,697,863	15.8	774,825	952,342	22.9
		Value $.	413,458	494,931	19.7	218,535	272,523	24.7

(1) Source: Dairy Branch, Alberta Department of Agriculture.

MINERALS AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES - ALBERTA

FEBRUARY AND TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING F E B R U A R Y 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

			1956 (Jan. - Feb.)	1957 (Jan. - Feb.)	2 Months Inc. or (-) Dec. %	1956 (February)	1957 (February)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec. %
Coal (1)	Production	Tons.	1,075,334	804,554	-25.2	448,222	342,274	-23.6
		Value $.	5,655,279	4,274,015	-24.4	2,433,676	1,853,084	-23.9
Salt	Production	Tons.	7,943	7,625	- 4.0	3,823	3,410	-10.8
Petroleum Products Refined-Gross Sales		$.	22,163,310	20,628,963	- 6.9	10,791,005	10,409,976	- 3.5
Propane	Production	Gallons.	5,679,522	6,211,494	9.4	2,746,993	2,943,391	7.1
	Sales	Gallons.	5,620,168	6,202,636	10.4	2,716,480	2,933,750	8.0
Butane	Production	Gallons.	3,304,659	4,014,458	21.5	1,617,037	1,907,099	17.9
	Sales	Gallons.	2,759,641	1,808,509	-34.5	1,321,743	830,914	-37.1
Sulphur	Production	Tons.	6,462	7,973	23.4	3,140	3,675	17.0
	Sales	Tons.	1,694	3,139	85.3	520	1,830	251.9
Clay Products	Gross Sales	$.	232,846	247,706	6.4	88,326	104,334	18.1
Cement Products	Gross Sales	$.	491,085	457,432	- 6.9	225,782	221,079	- 2.1
Cement	Production	Barrels.	298,075	378,749	27.1	149,385	234,880	57.2
		Value $.	721,349	992,702	37.6	363,006	617,636	70.1
Lime	Gross Sales	$.	105,817	100,427	- 5.1	55,091	46,406	-15.8
	Production	Tons.	4,471	4,008	-10.4	2,347	1,924	-18.0
		Value $.	54,997	55,027	.1	28,892	26,339	- 8.8

(1) Source: Mines Division, Department of Mines and Minerals, Alberta.

CONSTRUCTION - ALBERTA

FEBRUARY AND TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

BUILDING PERMITS:		1956 (Jan. - Feb.)	1957 (Jan. - Feb.)	2 Months Inc. or (-) Dec. %	1956 (February)	1957 (February)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec. %
CALGARY	Number	469*	301	- 35.8	201	193	- 4.0
	Value $.	8,972,356	2,770,146	- 69.1	5,331,076	1,530,341	- 71.3
EDMONTON	Number	464	431	- 7.1	255	207	- 18.8
	Value $.	1,842,783	3,345,033	81.5	1,284,265	1,249,771	- 2.7
LETHBRIDGE	Number	43	66	53.5	24	37	54.2
	Value $.	278,925	436,912	56.6	165,550	329,800	99.2
MEDICINE HAT	Number	29	22	- 24.1	18	15	- 16.7
	Value $.	139,290	28,300	- 79.7	89,090	12,400	- 86.1
RED DEER	Number	10	17	70.0	6	8	33.3
	Value $.	60,800	109,150	79.5	53,400	23,650	- 55.7
DRUMHELLER	Number	3	2	- 33.3	2	2	-
	Value $.	4,000	1,600	- 60.0	2,000	1,600	- 20.0
WETASKIWIN	Number	2	4	100.0	1	3	200.0
	Value $.	300	9,100	2933.3	150	7,100	4633.3
CAMROSE	Number	3	3	-	1	-	-
	Value $.	17,250	820	- 95.2	1,000	-	-
TOTAL (8 CITIES) - - - - - - - - - -	NUMBER	1,023	846	- 17.3	508	465	- 8.5
	VALUE $.	11,315,704	6,701,061	- 40.8	6,926,531	3,154,662	- 54.5
TOTAL (169 Towns & Villages) - - - -	VALUE $.	6,428,325*	1,295,528	- 79.8	5,767,450	338,420	- 94.1

CONTRACTS AWARDED - ALBERTA:(1)		1956 (Jan. - Feb.)	1957 (Jan. - Feb.)	2 Months Inc. or (-) Dec. %	1956 (February)	1957 (February)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec. %
RESIDENTIAL	Number	534	66	- 87.6	416	37	- 91.1
	Value $.	5,051,600	638,500	- 87.4	3,898,300	377,600	- 90.3
BUSINESS	Number	75	35	- 53.3	46	20	- 56.5
	Value $.	8,506,300	4,228,900	- 50.3	5,909,700	1,217,200	- 79.4
INDUSTRIAL	Number	6	8	33.3	4	4	-
	Value $.	620,000	2,271,000	266.3	116,500	2,155,000	1749.8
ENGINEERING	Number	33	14	- 57.6	12	9	- 25.0
	Value $.	2,966,000	3,296,200	11.1	1,583,300	1,353,500	- 14.5
TOTAL - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	NUMBER	648	123	- 81.0	478	70	- 85.4
	VALUE $.	17,143,900	10,434,600	- 39.1	11,507,800	5,103,300	- 55.7

(1) Source: Building Reporter, March, 1957, Published by Maclean Building Reports Limited.

* Revised.

GENERAL STATISTICS - ALBERTA

FEBRUARY AND TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

	1956 (Jan. - Feb.)	1957 (Jan. - Feb.)	2 Months Inc. or (-) Dec. %	1956 (February)	1957 (February)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec. %
Forestry (Crown Lands) - Production Lumber-Ft.b.m.	189,200,000	177,000,000	- 6.4	97,800,000	90,000,000	- 8.0
Value $.	7,568,000	7,080,000	- 6.4	3,912,000	3,600,000	- 8.0
Total Value of Lumber & Other Forestry Products $.	9,448,000	8,960,000	- 5.2	4,912,000	4,600,000	- 6.4
Fur (Wild Life) - Trapped No.of Pelts.	438,072	366,575	-16.3	250,350	202,647	-19.1
Value $.	361,990	278,828	-23.0	201,030	158,490	-21.2
	1956 (Jan. - Mar.)	1957 (Jan. - Mar.)	3 Months Inc. or (-) Dec. %	1956 (March)	1957 (March)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec. %
Bank Clearings $.	1,515,480,878	1,907,202,671	25.8	504,342,263	741,136,220	47.0

ONE MONTH PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 31, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1956 WITH TWELVE MONTH FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEARS

	1955 (Jan. - Dec.)	1956 (Jan. - Dec.)	12 Months Inc.or (-) Dec. %	1956 (January)	1957 (January)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec. %
Bank Debits (1) Value $.	9,969,111,000	12,586,890,000	26.3	873,366,000	1,206,970,000	38.2
New Motor Vehicles - Gross Sales (2) No.	36,563	42,748	16.9	1,658	3,369	103.2
Value $.	99,281,000	128,010,000	28.9	4,875,000	10,379,000	112.9
Customs' Duty Receipts $.	15,841,631	21,118,493	33.3	1,434,555	1,846,778	28.7

(1) Source: Cheques cashed in Clearing Centres, Vol. 34, No. 1, Dominion Bureau of Statistics.
(2) Source: New Motor Vehicles Sales and Motor Vehicles Financing, Vol. 29, No. 1, Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Note: Fisheries Production for twelve months 1956 totalled 9,867,432 lbs. valued at $1,352,162 as compared with 8,731,264 lbs. valued at $1,143,499 in 1955.

MINERALS AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES - ALBERTA

ONE MONTH PERIOD ENDING J A N U A R Y 31, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1956, WITH TWELVE MONTH FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEARS

		1955 (Jan. - Dec.)	1956 (Jan. - Dec.)	12 Months Inc. or (-) Dec. %	1956 (January)	1957 (January)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec. %
Petroleum - Crude (1)	Production-Barrels.	113,035,046	143,909,641	27.3	11,737,547	13,697,107	16.7
	Value of Sales $.	274,245,952	355,173,842	29.5	28,884,804	34,763,260	20.4
Natural Gas (1)	Production- M.C.F.	168,808,357	200,191,107	18.6	20,153,302	24,196,095	20.1
Petroleum - Crude (2)	Imports Barrels.	1,921,831	1,794,337	- 6.6	172,379	143,549	- 16.7
	Exports Barrels	90,188,907	117,416,315	30.2	10,133,924	12,123,323	19.6
Petroleum Products Refined (2)	Production-Barrels.	22,075,320	24,344,902	10.3	2,109,458	2,014,416*	- 4.5
	Imports Barrels.	302,204	341,941	13.1	27,999	12,616	- 54.9
	Exports Barrels.	4,794,090	5,213,954	8.8	449,886	437,951	- 2.7
Natural Gasoline & Naphtha (1)	Production-Barrels.	868,416	913,572	5.2	82,733	97,357	17.7
	Value of Sales $.	2,463,133	2,637,048	7.1	242,307	265,061	9.4

(1) Source: Alberta Oil and Gas Industry, January, 1957, Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board.
(2) Source: Fuel Oil Tax Branch, Department of Provincial Secretary, Alberta.

* Composed of 1,076,037 bbls. gasoline; 414,403 bbls. diesel fuel; -7,118 bbls. kerosene; 531,094 bbls. other fuel and miscellaneous products.

VISITORS TO NATIONAL PARKS & RESERVES - ALBERTA

MARCH AND THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

	1956 (Jan. - Mar.)	1957 (Jan. - Mar.)	3 Months Inc. or (-) Dec.	1956 (March)	1957 (March)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec.
			%			%
Banff	64,117	76,305	19.0	24,980	29,350	17.5
Elk Island	2,400	2,700	12.5	900	1,050	16.7
Jasper	1,286	13,500	949.8	689	4,650	574.9
TOTAL	67,803	92,505	36.4	26,569	35,050	31.9

(1) AUTOMOBILES ENTERING CUSTOMS' STATIONS FOR TOURING PURPOSES - ALBERTA

FEBRUARY AND TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

	1956 (Jan. - Feb.)	1957 (Jan. - Feb.)	2 Months Inc. or (-) Dec.	1956 (February)	1957 (February)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec.
			%			%
Aden	37	13	- 64.9	16	4	- 75.0
Carway	467	495	6.0	206	239	16.0
Chief Mountain	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coutts	4,393	3,059	- 30.4	2,219	1,497	- 32.5
Del Bonita	170	291	71.2	86	139	61.6
Wild Horse	48	47	- 2.1	19	24	26.3
TOTAL	5,115	3,905	- 23.7	2,546	1,903	- 25.3

(1) Source: Travel between Canada and the United States - Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

WHOLESALE TRADE - TRENDS - ALBERTA

FEBRUARY AND TWO MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIODS IN 1956

	1956 (Jan. - Feb.)	1957 (Jan. - Feb.)	2 Months Inc. or (-) Dec.	1956 (February)	1957 (February)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec.
BY TYPES:	$	$	%	$	$	%
Automotive Accessories, Equipment & Supplies	12,656,832	18,927,947	49.5	6,891,147	7,429,984	7.8
Boots and Shoes	608,408	611,150	.5	341,585	322,282	- 5.7
Drugs	1,373,631	1,699,174	23.7	692,199	809,853	17.0
Dry Goods	1,484,730	1,584,457	6.7	829,394	842,568	1.6
Electrical Appliances and Radios	6,560,089	9,454,048	44.1	3,062,169	3,802,928	24.2
Florists	72,509	82,005	13.1	30,853	32,856	6.5
Furniture	497,870	627,284	26.0	252,615	308,983	22.3
Groceries (including Fruits & Vegetables)	23,315,014	26,128,762	12.1	11,970,893	13,207,449	10.3
Hardware	8,527,331	9,269,562	8.7	4,561,377	4,693,637	2.9
Jewellery and Silverware	64,250	75,357	17.3	31,818	38,548	21.2
Lumber and Building Supplies	7,097,737	6,587,017	- 7.2	3,646,821	3,325,073	- 8.8
Machinery, Agricultural	2,208,243	2,650,033	20.0	1,375,393	1,367,168	- .6
Machinery, Other	2,724,163	3,433,496	26.0	1,508,540	1,631,385	8.1
Paints and Varnishes	1,355,393	1,344,503	- .8	697,119	684,980	- 1.7
Paper	1,507,327	1,590,004	5.5	782,527	749,762	- 4.2
Tobacco	2,795,118	3,042,233	8.8	1,294,070	1,335,287	3.2
Oilfield Supplies	5,223,460	4,128,251	- 21.0	2,586,544	1,974,185	- 23.7
Carbonated Beverages	1,455,123	1,595,645	9.7	778,209	834,917	7.3
Miscellaneous	8,452,077	9,706,059	14.8	4,356,296	4,634,361	6.4
TOTAL	87,979,305	102,536,987	16.5	45,689,569	48,026,206	5.1
BY LOCATIONS:						
Calgary	18,471,881	19,876,645	7.6	9,250,406	9,673,942	4.6
Edmonton	21,525,756	23,440,829	8.9	10,935,067	11,443,668	4.7
Lethbridge	2,037,942	2,293,494	12.5	1,116,443	1,163,960	4.3
Medicine Hat	243,661	275,891	13.2	116,924	142,810	22.1
Smaller Centres	1,279,694	1,480,960	15.7	648,316	707,901	9.2
Major Cities - Not distributable by location	44,420,371	55,169,168	24.2	23,622,413	24,893,925	5.4
TOTAL	87,979,305	102,536,987	16.5	45,689,569	48,026,206	5.1

The above figures may be considered as more indicative of trends of business in the various lines and for the various locations than of actual volume of business.

RETAIL TRADE - ALBERTA

ONE MONTH PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 31, 1957, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1956, WITH TWELVE MONTH FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEARS

	1955 (Jan. - Dec.)	1956 (Jan. - Dec.)	12 Months Inc. or (-) Dec.	1956 (January)	1957 (January)	1 Month Inc. or (-) Dec.
	$	$	%	$	$	%
TOTAL - RETAIL TRADE	1,034,995,000 (a)	1,146,094,000	10.7	68,909,000	81,367,000	18.1
Grocery and Combination Stores	145,662,000	158,525,000	8.8	11,229,000	12,753,000	13.6
Other Food and Beverage Stores	63,163,000	67,676,000	7.1	4,163,000	4,677,000	12.3
General Stores	53,451,000	56,413,000	5.5	3,848,000	4,036,000	4.9
Department Stores	113,942,000	127,567,000	12.0	8,082,000	8,915,000	10.3
Variety Stores	13,842,000	15,813,000	14.2	773,000	821,000	6.2
Motor Vehicle Dealers	209,914,000	246,527,000	17.4	13,041,000	19,719,000	51.2
Garage and Filling Stations	64,454,000	65,581,000	1.7	4,195,000	4,612,000	9.9
Men's Clothing Stores	20,391,000	22,890,000	12.3	1,552,000	1,768,000	13.9
Family Clothing Stores	12,080,000	12,649,000	4.7	772,000	797,000	3.2
Women's Clothing Stores	19,465,000	20,782,000	6.8	1,256,000	1,482,000	18.0
Shoe Stores	6,047,000	6,606,000	9.2	389,000	422,000	8.5
Hardware Stores	27,151,000	29,538,000	8.8	1,506,000	1,747,000	16.0
Lumber and Building Material Dealers	54,339,000	60,802,000	11.9	2,872,000	2,893,000	.7
Furniture, Appliances, Radio Stores	41,605,000	43,896,000	5.5	3,498,000	3,406,000	- 2.6
Restaurants	36,364,000	36,618,000	.7	2,650,000	2,816,000	6.3
Fuel Dealers	668,000	686,000	2.7	91,000	125,000	37.4
Drug Stores	22,854,000	24,248,000	6.1	1,708,000	1,892,000	10.8
Jewellery Stores	6,214,000	6,548,000	5.4	376,000	391,000	4.0
Miscellaneous	123,390,000	142,729,000	15.7	6,908,000	8,095,000	17.2

Source: Retail Trade, Vol. 29, No. 1, Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

(a) Slight differences between totals and their components are due to rounding of figures.

LABOUR REVIEW

Alberta Summary for Period Ending 28 February, 1957

(Source: Labour Gazette, Volume 57, No. 3, March, 1957)

GENERAL economic activity in the Prairie region reached the winter low and began to increase slowly during the latter part of February. During the last half of the month employment increased slightly following the usual upturn in seasonal activities. Unemployment remained lower during February than a year before because of heavier demands for metalworkers, loggers and skilled construction workers. The year-to-year increase in job opportunities was reflected in the NES figures; vacancies listed at the various NES offices at the end of the month were about 16 per cent higher than at the same date last year. All major industries except farming showed some year-to-year employment expansion. Construction was very active for the season despite the fact that fewer houses were being constructed than in February 1956. The heavy volume of industrial and commercial construction more than offset the decline in the residential sector.

CALGARY (metropolitan). Remained in labour surplus group. The employment situation changed very little in this area during February. Construction occupations accounted for almost 40 per cent of the persons registered with the NES at the end of the month. Qualified workers in the technical and professional categories remained scarce. Female office workers were also in strong demand.

EDMONTON (metropolitan). Remained in labour surplus group. Unemployment reached a seasonal peak in this area during February. Employment continued to show a substantial improvement over the comparable date in 1956. The demand was very strong for electricians, sheet metal workers, engineers, draftsmen, surveyors, auto mechanics, and certain types of office workers.

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLLS

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics collects monthly data from firms, usually having 15 or more employees. Data are requested for all classes of employees, irrespective of their functions in the business; statistics for the owners are not included. Employees engaged in agriculture, government, and educational services are excluded. Wages represent gross earnings before deductions for unemployment insurance, taxes, pension funds, etc., are made. They also include the cost-of-living bonus, and any other bonuses made at frequent intervals. They exclude value of board and lodging, employers contributions to unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation and pension and welfare funds as well as bonuses paid at irregular or infrequent intervals such as annual bonuses and retirement gratuities. The following tables compare the employment and wage situation at the 1st January, 1957, with that existing one year earlier in the main non-agricultural industries of the province of Alberta. Figures for the cities of Calgary and Edmonton are shown as well.

EMPLOYMENT AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES AND SALARIES, ALBERTA,* BY INDUSTRIES

At J A N U A R Y 1, 1957, As Compared with Corresponding Date in 1956

	Index Numbers (1949 = 100) Employment		Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		Employees Reported
	Jan. 1 1956	Jan. 1 1957	Jan. 1 1956	Jan. 1 1957	Jan. 1 1957
			$	$	
Mining	124.7	142.1	83.70	90.97	21,701
Coal	48.3	40.4	71.52	72.09	3,253
Oil	227.8	286.0	86.77	94.40	16,904
Manufacturing	138.4	150.8	61.86	66.60	30,431
Foods and Beverages	119.3	122.4	59.75	63.03	8,964
Meat Products	128.3	132.7	66.02	68.97	4,195
Wood Products	113.6	122.4	46.38	48.90	3,278
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	116.1	120.6	60.41	63.07	1,345
Iron and Steel Products	151.3	200.4	65.64	69.47	3,567
Transportation Equipment	149.6	160.6	62.98	67.57	4,776
Non-Metallic Mineral Products (j)	137.0	148.7	57.49	64.80	2,329
Products of Petroleum and Coal	163.7	190.0	86.98	93.69	1,765
Construction	148.0	171.7	61.40	66.07	19,249
Buildings and Structures (k)	180.5	198.8	62.60	67.29	12,320
Highways, Bridges and Streets	107.4	138.2	58.85	63.90	6,929
Transportation, Storage, Communication	112.0	119.7	66.57	69.93	24,990
Steam Railways	93.6	101.3	68.78	71.18	13,545
Electric and Motor Transportation (p)	145.4	164.5	72.14	76.46	4,260
Storage	113.5	109.5	54.98	58.41	2,575
Trade	149.0	161.5	54.15	54.72	32,208
Wholesale	139.0	152.2	59.89	62.80	10,500
Retail	154.1	166.4	51.49	50.81	21,708
Service	132.0	148.4	41.47	44.40	8,686
Hotels and Restaurants	122.8	140.6	40.87	42.26	5,643
Industrial Composite	133.6	148.7	62.53	66.02	150,351

* Including Northwest Territories.

(j) Abrasive, asbestos, hydraulic cement, clay, glass, lime and gypsum, stone, concrete and miscellaneous non-metallic products.

(k) Buildings and structures, other construction, and special trade contractors.

(p) Interurban bus and coach and urban and suburban transportation systems; taxi-cab and truck transportation; service incidental to transportation, and other transportation.

Source: Employment and Payrolls, January, 1957.
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EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES (Continued)

Employment, and Average Weekly Wages and Salaries, CALGARY and EDMONTON, By Industries
At J A N U A R Y 1, 1957, as Compared with Corresponding Date in 1956

	Index Numbers (1949 = 100) Employment		Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		Employees Reported
	Jan. 1 1956	Jan. 1 1957	Jan. 1 1956	Jan. 1 1957	Jan. 1 1957
			$	$	
CALGARY:					
Manufacturing	127.6	135.1	64.11	68.53	9,968
Foods and Beverages	116.6	124.9	63.53	66.08	3,111
Transportation Equipment	138.1	145.1	63.91	69.25	2,654
Construction	171.7	202.7	57.50	60.17	3,989
Wholesale Trade	128.9	133.6	61.22	64.14	4,180
Retail Trade	149.5	168.7	54.10	53.03	8,537
Industrial Composite	142.9	156.2	59.76	62.45	37,873
EDMONTON:					
Manufacturing	154.7	170.5	62.66	67.31	12,900
Foods and Beverages	128.0	129.9	62.26	66.33	3,952
Meat Products	132.4	133.2	64.77	68.87	2,706
Construction	167.8	188.1	57.61	64.12	7,473
Wholesale Trade	162.9	185.1	58.79	61.48	4,724
Retail Trade	161.6	171.3	50.99	49.69	9,760
Industrial Composite	159.5	174.7	57.10	60.37	44,626

Source: Employment and Payrolls, January, 1957
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AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS OF HOURLY-RATED WAGE-EARNERS IN SPECIFIED INDUSTRIES - ALBERTA

At J A N U A R Y 1, 1957, as Compared with Corresponding Date in 1956

	Average Hours		Average Hourly Earnings		Average Weekly Wages		Wage Earners Reported
	Jan. 1 1956	Jan. 1 1957	Jan. 1 1956 ¢	Jan. 1 1957 ¢	Jan. 1 1956 $	Jan. 1 1957 $	Jan 1. 1957
Coal Mining	38.6	36.1	185.2	197.1	71.49	71.15	2,670
Oil and Natural Gas Production	44.8	44.6	182.5	205.2	81.76	91.52	6,074
Manufacturing	38.4	38.4	153.4	164.5	58.91	63.17	20,847
Foods and Beverages	36.1	36.6	149.8	159.2	54.08	58.27	6,120
Meat Products	36.4	36.5	163.0	175.7	59.33	64.13	2,992
Transportation Equipment	39.5	39.0	156.1	168.6	61.66	65.75	3,756
Buildings and Structures (h)	31.8	31.7	180.6	191.5	57.43	60.71	9,592
Electric and Motor Transportation (i)	42.6	42.6	157.1	164.0	66.92	69.86	2,167
Services (j)	39.5	39.3	95.3	98.2	37.64	38.59	4,124

SOURCE: Man Hours and Hourly Earnings, January, 1957
Prepared in the
Employment Section of the Labour and Prices Division, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

(h) Buildings and structures; other construction; special trade contractors.
(i) Interurban bus and coach and urban and suburban transportation systems; taxi-cab and truck transportation; service incidental to transportation; other transportation.
(j) Hotels and restaurants; launderies; dyeing; cleaning and pressing business and recreational services.